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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration
SUBJECT: Informal NSC Query Regarding the Transfer of Clearances
1. Attached is a copy of a note I received from He asked that I provide him some informal Agency views on the issue of the automatic transfer of clearances between agencies. Someone down on the NSC Staff who is looking into the problem having, I suspect, encountered some difficulty in gaining access to one or another agencies without properly passing clearances beforehand.
2. Would you please have or whoever is appropriate, provide me some comments It's not clear from the wording whether CIA would be exempted totally or only when specific compartmented clearances are involved. SA/DCI/IA Date 9 Nov 82

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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Clearances Across Agencies

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As I noted to you on the telephone on 8 November, the question has arisen as to whether the present system whereby secret and top secret clearances cannot be automatically transferred to government departments should be changed. The argument is that the present system is wasteful and duplicative. A draft proposal for circulation to department and agency heads is attached. Some special consideration is given for intelligence agencies. Would you give me your informal reaction to this draft so that I may do the appropriate staffing within the NSC.

Walt Raymond



THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

SUBJECT:

Clearances Across Agencies

As of this date, a secret or top secret security clearance issued by any of the agencies or departments of the U.S. Government shall be equally and immediately valid in any other agency and department.

Exempted from the effects of this directive are special clearances which may be required by the intelligence agencies.